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Styx bringing over four decades of Classic Rock hits to Stambaugh Auditorium

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On Thursday, May 11th at 7:30pm, Stambaugh Auditorium and Sunrise Entertainment will welcome classic rock icons Styx to Youngstown. Styx is entering their second decade of averaging over 100 shows per year. Tickets go on sale Friday, February 10th at 10am through the Florence and Ward Beecher Box Office at Stambaugh Auditorium.

Styx draws from over four decades of barn burning chart hits, joyous sing-a-longs, and hard-driving deep cuts. Like a symphony that builds to a satisfying crescendo, a Styx set covers a wide range of stylistic cornerstones. Some of their biggest hits include: "Fooling Yourself," "Lorelei," "Too Much Time on My Hands," "Boat on the River," "The Grand Illusion," "Blue Collar Man," "Lady," "Miss America," "Man in the Wilderness," "Crystal Ball," "Come Sail Away," and "Renegade."

Styx was formed in Chicago in 1972. They became the first band to have four triple-platinum albums in a row with *The Grand Illusion* (1977), *Pieces of Eight* (1978), *Cornerstone* (1979), and *Paradise Theater* (1981).

Guitarist and vocalist Tommy Shaw notes, "Our live show is like a religious experience where people come to commune and testify. We have a pretty sophisticated audience, and we really respect that. We didn't used to have people who would come see every show, but now they're coming back again and again for more. And we owe it to our fans to continually rehearse, prepare, and improve."

James (JY) Young says, "Music is this amazing force that comes from a higher place. I'm humbled for this band to have the great success that it has, and I recognize what we have could go away in an instant." "We just want to keep on doing this," adds Shaw. "We want to let life take its course and let this music continue to be the soundtrack to it."

Tickets for this show go on sale Friday, February 10th at 10am. For tickets, call 330-259-0555, go to stambaughauditorium.com, or visit the Florence and Ward Beecher Box Office at Stambaugh Auditorium in person. The box office is open Monday through Friday, 9am-6pm and Saturday, 10am-2pm.

About Stambaugh Auditorium:

Stambaugh Auditorium is a non-profit public auditorium which opened in 1926 through the generous gift of Youngstown area businessman Henry H. Stambaugh. The centerpiece of the complex is the Concert Hall which has a seating capacity of 2,553 and is renowned for its near perfect acoustics. The auditorium also features a 9,700-square-foot ballroom (Jeanne D. Tyler Grand Ballroom), a recital hall (Anne K. Christman Memorial Hall), and a formal garden at the southern end of the building, all of which can be rented for public, business, or private functions. The venue welcomes national and international performers on a regular basis while also hosting local and regional events many of which use the Florence and Ward Beecher Box Office to sell and distribute tickets. Stambaugh Auditorium was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1984.